

## **12 KAR 4:170. Maximum chlorine guarantees for tobacco fertilizers.**

RELATES TO: KRS 250.366(7), 250.411(1)

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: KRS 250.421

NECESSITY, FUNCTION, AND CONFORMITY: KRS 250.421 requires the director of the Kentucky Agricultural Experiment Station to enforce the provisions of KRS 250.371 to 250.451 and to promulgate and enforce administrative regulations necessary to implement KRS 250.371 to 250.451. This administrative regulation establishes the specific format and conditions for maximum chlorine guarantee for tobacco fertilizers, which is necessary for production of quality tobacco.

Section 1. (1) Until January 1, 2001, bagged tobacco fertilizer sold for or represented for use on field crop tobacco, shall, in addition to the other guarantees specified by 12 KAR Chapter 4, state a maximum chlorine guarantee not to exceed two and five-tenths (2.5) percent in the following format:

Chlorine (Cl), Maximum 2.5 percent

(2) The maximum chlorine guarantee shall be prominently and conspicuously placed below the Guaranteed Analysis required by 12 KAR 4:090.

(3) On or after January 1, 2001, the provisions of Section 2 of this administrative regulation shall apply to bagged tobacco fertilizer.

Section 2. (1) Except as provided by Section 1 of this administrative regulation, all fertilizers sold for or represented for use on field crop tobacco, shall, in addition to the other guarantees specified by 12 KAR Chapter 4, state a maximum chlorine guarantee not to exceed fifty (50) pounds chlorine per acre (equivalent to 100 pounds of muriate of potash per acre) in the following format:

Chlorine (Cl), Maximum 50 lb./acre

(2) The maximum chlorine guarantee shall be prominently and conspicuously displayed on the label as required by KRS 250.376.

(3) The invoice, shipping ticket, or bag label shall:

(a) State the rate of application expressed as pounds or tons of the blended fertilizer per acre;

(b) State clearly that the fertilizer is for use on tobacco; and

(c) Give directions for use to include a maximum application rate so that no more than fifty (50) pounds of chlorine is applied per acre.

(4) The provisions of this administrative regulation shall not apply to fertilizers for use on plant beds. (11 Ky.R. 516; Am. 970; eff. 11-13-84; 26 Ky.R. 1586; eff. 4-12-2000.)